LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A reverse battery protection circuit comprising:

a first controlled semiconductor switch for providing current to a load and coupled in series with load terminals across which load terminals the load is adapted to be connected; and

a second controlled semiconductor switch disposed in a series circuit with a free wheeling diode, the series circuit being coupled across the load terminals; and

wherein the load terminals comprise a first load terminal switched to the battery positive terminal through the first controlled semiconductor switch and the second load terminal is coupled to the battery negative terminal.

- 2. (Original) The circuit of claim 1, wherein the second controlled semiconductor switch has a control electrode coupled to a main current carrying electrode of the main switch.
 - 3. (Original) The circuit of claim 1, wherein the semiconductor switches comprise FETs.
- 4. (Original) The circuit of claim 3, wherein the control electrode of the second controlled semiconductor switch is coupled to the drain of the first controlled semiconductor switch.
- 5. (Original) The circuit of claim 4, further comprising a zener diode coupled between gate and source of the second controlled semiconductor switch.

6. (Original) The circuit of claim 1, further comprising a driver circuit for the first controlled semiconductor switch.

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